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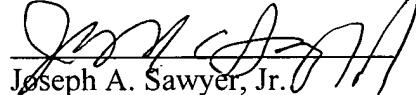
The present application is a divisional of United States Patent Application Serial Number 09/433,541, filed November 2, 1999. This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to more particularly claim the present invention. Claims 1-12 are pending in the present application. Claims 7-12 are canceled. Claims 1-6 remain pending.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

Should any unresolved issues remain, Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Before "FIELD OF THE INVENTION," please insert:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a divisional of USSN 09/433,541, filed November 2, 1999, and assigned of record to Advanced Micro Devices, Inc., of Sunnyvale, California.--